

MISSOURI STEM FACTS

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) and STEM-Related occupations are some of the most in-demand and highest paying jobs in Missouri.

PROJECTED EMPLOYMENT GROWTH FROM 2022-2032

12.6%

STEM and STEM-Related occupations

4.3%

Statewide average growth rate for all occupations

TOP STEM AND STEM-RELATED OCCUPATIONS



Seven of the top 10 STEM occupations are related to computers and computer technology, like Software Developers and Computer User Support Specialists.



Health Care and Therapy occupations employ the largest number of people in STEM-Related fields.

THE AVERAGE WAGE FOR STEM AND STEM-RELATED OCCUPATIONS IN 2023



\$91,338

The 2023 average wage for all occupations in Missouri is \$57,580

For a full report on Missouri STEM and STEM-Related occupations, please see <https://meric.mo.gov/media/pdf/missouri-stem-and-stem-related-overview>



9.2%

of 2024 job postings in the state were in STEM occupations. That makes up more than 66,000 annual job postings in Missouri.



192

Education is key to meeting the demand for STEM and STEM-Related workers. Of the 196 STEM and STEM-Related occupations in Missouri, 192 require some level of postsecondary education beyond high school.



437,222

Estimated total employment for STEM and STEM-Related occupations in 2032, an increase of over 49,000 jobs compared to 2022.

STEM occupations include those in mathematical, engineering, and life and physical science fields, as well as managerial and postsecondary teaching occupations related to these functional areas and sales occupations requiring scientific or technical knowledge at the postsecondary level.

STEM-Related occupations include architecture and health care occupations. They mainly focus on design and patient care, but also rely heavily on many of the STEM principles.